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BETHEL, MAINE, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1917.

\$1.50 IN ADVANCE

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Miss Howard will lead the Christian Endeavor service, Sunday evening at seven o'clock.

As the pastor will be away in attendance upon the Boys' Conference in Lewiston the morning service and Sunday school will be omitted next Sunday.

Miss Alice Eames of Hingham, Mass., addressed the Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts and friends in Garland Chapel, Wednesday afternoon. A collation was served at the close.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Hiram Bean, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

Subject of the morning sermon, "Awakening From Sleep."

Mrs. E. L. Edwards gave a social afternoon last Wednesday to the ladies of the Universalist Parish and a few of their invited guests.

A pleasing program had been prepared as follows:

Piano Solo, Miss Marjorie Farwell Reading, Mrs. E. C. Vandenberghoven Vocal Solo, Mrs. Marshall Hastings Reading, Mrs. F. H. Byran Piano Solo, Miss Mildred Bosserman Vocal Solo, Miss Mona Martyn

Refreshments of rarebit, coffee and cake were served to about fifty and about \$10 was added to the Georgia Little Memorial Fund.

Words and thoughts of the writer, who was detained at home by sickness: May each one give as freely

As the one who paved the way, And grow in grace and wisdom

'Till we reach the perfect day.

May the veil today be lifted And we see the loved form, And hear her words of tender counsel

Stand for right and shut the wrong.

She has gone beyond the portal, And is near the Great White Throne, Where we all hope to meet her

And are known as we are known.

How we miss her in the gloaming When the shadows of night draw near, But we hear the Master calling

Look up higher do not fear.

"Sometime, some day, our eyes shall see The faces left in memory: Some day their hands shall clasp our hands

Just over in the morning land."

Nellie F. Davis.

A REVIVAL OF THE MAINE FESTIVAL CHORUS.

Over twenty-five years ago there was a chorus of forty fine voices in Bethel, which became merged into the Festival Chorus. That was the time when

Payson Grover's magnificent bass was a foundation from which all voices could rise.

Mr. William Rogers Chapman's gifted sister, Mrs. Horton's full mezzo-soprano filled any concert hall.

Our minister's talented wife, Mrs. Har-ty, had a strong and cultivated voice.

Mrs. Ava Flacey was, there with her artistic temperament and lovely lilting songs.

Mrs. Tuell's brilliant high soprano, Mrs. Fred Edwards and Mrs. Shulking's rich contralto; Scott

Wright's deep voice, and most rare of all, Mrs. Ellison's superb voice and

musical cultivation, made a background upon which the voices of a host of younger singers produced an unusual effect.

There was a wonder of a pianist who intuitively knew the Director's thought. She was then Miss

Lillian True, beloved pupil of the famous Oscar Reif of Berlin, Germany; and Mrs. Gehring, fresh from Boston's

training, was the Director.

When the Festival Chorus was formed, this body of singers was the basis

of what was then a small choir, but which grew to be the largest in the State.

That wonder that it was for years a choir, and that the enthusiastic members sang their hearts out in the inspiring Festival songs!

Today, there is a large number of singers of undoubted talent in this village. New and then one hears a single voice and believes in the talent behind it.

Recently, on Main street, as the voices passed by, a lovely deed floated down a house where certainly some singers are dwelling.

The Male Trio of the Methodist Church, heard a few weeks ago, sang unusually well. Mr. Tyler can give voice, and receive a great deal by joining the Festival Chorus. Mr. Kilgore's low, strong tenor and unusual knowledge of good music is always of such great help that he really cannot afford not to give inspiration with his voice and presence. Mr. Garay should be sought by male friends, and if there are

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GOULD'S ACADEMY

Ruth Barker spent the week end at Norway.

Linnwood Wilson is boarding at the dormitory.

Mrs. W. C. Curtis visited school last Wednesday.

Rev. T. C. Chapman visited school last Monday.

Chester Howe spent the week end at his home in Hanover.

Myrtle Becker stayed at the dormitory last Friday night.

Nina Briggs spent the week end with her roommate, Jennie Bean.

The mid-term examinations were given Thursday and Friday of last week.

Annie Cummings has not returned to school this week on account of illness.

Last Friday the G. A. basketball team was defeated in a close and fast game with West Paris by a score of 18 to 16.

Several of the Academy boys are planning to attend the Boys' Conference, which is to be held at Lewiston, Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this week.

A photographer from the Harry L. Plummer studio of Lewiston was here last week to take pictures of the editorial board, the basketball teams, and the several classes for the Academy Herald. The proofs have been received and are very satisfactory.

The Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. held a joint meeting in the assembly room last Thursday. The leader, Principal F. E. Hanson, gave one of the most interesting and helpful talks of the year. His subject was "Crises in Life."

GILBERT TYLER.

Gilbert Tyler, one of the oldest if not the oldest man in Bethel, passed away at the home of his son on the Robertson's Hill road, Monday morning, Feb. 6. Mr. Tyler was born in Summer just 55 years before the date of his death.

After living in Hartford and at Umbagog Lake, he, as a young man, went to Grafton and cleared a farm where he lived until a few years ago, when with his son, Fred, he sold out and moved to the E. S. Smith place on Robertson's Hill.

He married Martha Linnell who died about four years ago, and was blessed with four children all of whom are now living, Arthur Tyler of South Paris, Mrs. Nettie Fleet of No. Bethel, Mrs. Addie Brooks of Grafton and Fred Tyler of Bethel. Two sisters, Mrs. Mary E. Jones of Turner and Mrs. Hattie Lyons of Zephyr Hills, Fla., and eleven grandchildren also survive.

The funeral was held at his home on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. W. C. Curtis officiating.

MAINE MUSIC FESTIVAL.

Twenty enthusiastic music lovers met at Mr. Upson's Music Room last Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. to organize a new Festival Chorus.

Dr. I. H. Wright was elected President; Mrs. J. G. Gehring, Vice President; Mr. L. L. Carver, Secretary and Treasurer; Executive Committee—Mr. Upson, Mrs. Mansfield, Mrs. Edwards, Mr. Chapin, Mrs. Aron, Mr. Tyler; Miss Rawford, Director; Miss Blanche Herrick, Pianist.

STATE OF MAINE.

In House of Representatives January 18, 1917.

Ordered, The Senate concurring, that the time for the reception of petitions and bills for private and special legislation be limited to Friday, February 9th, 1917; that all such petitions and bills presented after that date be referred to the next Legislature, and that the Clerk of the House cause copies of this order to be published in all daily and weekly papers in this State until February 8th, 1917.

House of Representatives, Jan. 18, 1917.

Read and Passed.

Sent up for Concurrence.

In Senate Chamber, Jan. 18, 1917.

Read and Passed.

In Concurrence.

W. E. Boix, Clerk.

W. E. Lawry, Secretary.

BETHEL INN

Happenings of the Week

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy S. Brown of Lexington, Mass., are guests at the Inn. Mr. Brown is a prominent business man in Boston.

On Friday evening guests of the Inn and their friends enjoyed an informal dance. A jolly party was present. Ice cream, cake and coffee were served.

Wilton A. Rogers of Dedham, Mass., is spending a few days at Bethel Inn. He is an excellent pianist and his music is much enjoyed by all. He is a son of Mr. C. N. Rogers.

Miss Margaret Herick left Monday morning for a trip to Boston. Although caught in the blizzard, word was received that she reached her destination safely, three hours late.

Mrs. Edith Corning entertained a party of friends at afternoon tea at the Inn, Tuesday. Mr. Rogers was one of the party and favored them with a number of selections on the piano.

Mrs. Shirley Underdunk and Miss Mary Boynton of Durham, N. H., are again in Bethel for a few days. They spent the summer here and enjoyed Bethel so much they desired to see it in winter dress.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Fisher of Hartford, Conn., spent a few days at Bethel the past week, leaving for home Tuesday morning. They were enthusiastic over Bethel Inn, the sports available, and the town of Bethel.

Mr. L. L. Mason of Portland was an overnight guest at the Inn, Saturday. Mr. Mason is a prominent manufacturer of toys at South Paris, Me. He is a native of Bethel and had the pleasure of meeting many of his old friends while here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. McIlhenny of Portland returned home Monday night after a week's stay at the Inn. Both were fond of all winter sports and enjoyed their visit very much. They are planning to return later with their children for a few days winter sports.

Mrs. L. H. Gilley returned to Bethel on Monday, after an absence of some days in Boston. Mr. Gilley met her in Portland and they were caught in the big blizzard, leaving Portland at 4 p. m., and arriving in Bethel at 2:10 a. m., taking over ten hours to make the trip.

Among other guests at the Inn the past week were: P. L. Harlow, Gorham, Maine; H. A. Seannell, Lewiston, Me.; L. P. Noble, Portland; H. W. Black, Portland; F. C. Smith, Portland; R. B. Grant, Boston, Mass.; W. H. Norton, Portland; D. C. Mullaney, Portland; P. A. Campbell, Boston; S. B. Merrill, Lewiston, Me.

BAND CONCERT AND DANCE.

A grand good time is promised for the concert and ball to be given by the Bethel Band, Thursday evening, Feb. 15. They have been very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Louis M. Aron of Berlin, N. H., as cornet soloist.

Mrs. Aron has studied the cornet under the best instructors in Boston and Chicago and has had a great deal of experience as soloist and first cornetist in large orchestras in Boston, Chicago, Milwaukee and in Chattanooga and Lyons, Mo.

The prices are reasonable and a large crowd is expected. The dance order will include old dances as well as the new.

All children under twelve years of age will be admitted to the concert free.

The program follows:

March—Bel Esprit, McFall

Overture—Festiva, McFall

Coronet Solo—Selected, Mrs. Aron

Waltz—My Little New Hampshire Girl, Gertrude-Love's Harbor, Rockwell

Overture—Rinaldo, Mrs. Aron

Coronet Solo—Selected, Mrs. Aron

March—First Battalion, Crocker

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Mr. F. J. Tyler and son, Lauris, were in South Paris, Saturday.

The Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1 of Bethel have a meeting at the Universalist church next Sunday at 12:30 p. m.

The Y. M. U. A. will have a social dance at Grange Hall, Friday evening, Feb. 2. Good music. Come and have a good time. Admission, 15 cents.

78th MAINE

LEGISLATURE

Our Special Correspondent Writes of the Past Week's Work

A very busy week was the sixth of the 78th Maine Legislature, and very suggestive of the important legislation soon to be or already entered upon its stormy passage of the legislative waters, which seldom run smooth.

The following proposed legislation introduced during the sessions of last week includes that of major interest to readers of the Oxford County Citizen:

By Stanley of Oxford—Act authorizing the Oxford County commissioners to enlarge, remodel and repair the registry building of Oxford County. To do this the commissioners are authorized to borrow not over \$5,000, for which they are to issue bonds.

By Rep. Charles of Lovell—An act providing a bounty of \$5 for every bear killed in Oxford county by any bona fide resident of this State.

By Rep. Cummings of Hebron—To resolve appropriating \$1,070.98 to reimburse the town of Paris for money paid out for dependent families of members of the 2nd Maine Infantry while they were in the service of the United States on the Mexican border.

By Rep. Hutchins of Mexico—To resolve appropriating \$540.43 to reimburse the town of Mexico for money paid out for dependent families of members of the 2nd Maine Infantry while they were in the service of the United States on the Mexican border.

By Rep. Charles of Lovell—An act placing a close time on ice fishing in Virginia Lake in the town of Stoneham, Oxford County.

By Rep. Stearns of Hiram—An act to ratify and confirm the incorporation of the Pine Grove cemetery association of Brownfield.

By Rep. Eaton of Rumford—Act to extend the charter of Rumford Falls & Bethel Street Railway for two years.

At a hearing held by the committee on ways and means Representative A. R. Clark of Harrison, with Mr. Brett of Otisfield, Com. of Agr. J. A. Roberts of Norway and Mr. Cummings of Hebron, told of the needs of the \$5000 asked for the reconstruction and repair of the Twin Bridge road in Otisfield. It is in bad shape and town can't fix it by usual road methods. Town has 800 people, 171 polls taxed, and a valuation of \$274,606, with a 25 mill tax rate in 1916.

The suffragists and the anti-suffragists have been with us and gone, and even the man who says belligerently, "Woman's place is in home mind," the child, "admits grudgingly, 'Well, there's some women competent to vote, that's a fact!'" Maine certainly had good cause to be proud of its womanhood at last Thursday's hearing before the Judiciary committee in the hall of the House of Representatives. Needless to remark, the hall was packed from the Speaker's desk to the window seats.

The subject of the hearing was the proposed amendment to the Constitution which calls for a special session next September to decide equal suffrage in Maine. Both sides had a strong array of speakers. The man on the street who decides all questions of public interest and the reason the Kaiser wants to fight with Uncle Sam declared the anti-suffragists "put it over" the other—but that it wasn't "get 'em nothing because the Judiciary committee is all sewed up to make a favorable report." And we'll have to let him know. The committee will probably do just that. Then, according to present indications, the Legislature will give the resolve the necessary two-thirds vote and let the people decide it.

On last Thursday evening the Legislature heard the Hon. Lyman H. Nelson of Portland, former chairman of the State Highway Commission, and Prof. George T. Fries of Bowdoin College and president of the Maine Automobile Association discuss the relative merits of the road issue and the mill tax. Mr. Nelson defended the mill tax as providing at a moderate rate and paying the cost as we go. The band leader he said described or troubled the pace and postponed the payment of the balance.

"The mill tax," he stated, "raises all its money by a large increase in direct taxation to be levied immediately; the band plan raises much more money but does not raise taxation a penny for 1917, only a moderate amount for 1918

GRANGE NEWS

PARIS GRANGE.

Paris Grange met Feb. 5rd at 2 P. M. Officers present: Master, Overseer, Assistant Steward, Secretary, Ceres, Flora and L. A. Steward. The severe cold weather prevented a large attendance. Several visitors were present as they attended the Milk Producers' Union in the forenoon, which met in the Grange Hall. Paris Grange furnished dinner to all who wished to patronize them.

Bros. G. W. Richardson, U. S. G. Abbott of Norway, and A. S. Hall of Buckfield and A. B. Morse helped on the program. Next meeting Feb. 17 at 10:30. Degree work in the forenoon. Prof. Atchell of U. of M., and G. A. Yonson will be present. A good program is assured.

OXFORD COUNTY POMONA.

Pomona Grange met at Bryant's Tuesday. There were seven in attendance from Bethel, namely: Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bartlett and Mrs. Fred Philbrook. The Pomona Master, Leslie McFutire, called to order at 11:30 A. M. The condition of the roads were so bad that a number of the officers were absent. The Steward reported 12 candidates in waiting to take the fifth degree. After the degree was conferred dinner was served to about one hundred. The dinner was all that could be desired and the hungry Grangers seemed to do it ample justice. At 2 p. m. Worthy Master McFutire called to order and turned the meeting over to Worthy Lecturer Pike, who presented the following program:

All Address of Welcome, Hiram Cushman Response, Leslie McFutire Piano Solo, encore, Mildred Parham Paper on "The Towns of Oxford County," Ralph Bacon

Reading, encore, Nellie Tracy Reading, encore, Mrs. Lovejoy Piano Solo, encore, Mildred Parham

Reading, encore, Nellie Tracy Address on Milk Association, Geo. Richardson, Mr. Parham, Mr. McFutire and Hiram Cushman discussed this question. They were all very enthusiastic and it was decided to be a grand thing for the farmers. The visitors were excluded and Worthy Master McFutire closed in form. The next Pomona will be held at West Paris, March 6.

Dean's Rheumatic Pills for Rheumatism and Neuralgia. Entirely vegetable. Safe.

FOR SALE.

A set of one horse sleds, new. Will sell at a bargain if taken at once.

F. C. HOLT, Bethel, Me.

WANTED—To buy a second hand Coolley Cream Tank in good condition. Outside dimensions, five feet 8 inches by two feet 8 inches. Inquire at CITIZEN OFFICE, Bethel, Maine.

FOR SALE—One good cow, five years old, due to freshen Feb. 2nd. Inquire or telephone

J. C. ANDERSON, Riverdale Farm, Bethel, Maine.

SEWING WANTED.

Plain sewing and children's clothes. MRS. HAZEL OIBBONS, Opposite Grammar School, Bethel, Maine.

FOR SALE OR RENT.

A country store at Hunt's Corner, Albany, Me. Only store in town doing business. Size of building 12x16, with a built in refrigerator, also good size farm and buildings with all conveniences, 50 acre wood and timber lot.

H. I. BEAN, R. F. D. 3, Bethel, Me.

FOR SALE—12 head of stock: 2 cows, 2 heifers due to freshen soon, 3 yearlings and 5 calves from 3 to 12 weeks old. Prices very low if sold at once.

ALLAN A. BROOKS, Grafton, Maine, Tel. 8001-11, 2121.

LEGISLATIVE NOTICE.

The Committee on Taxes and Finance will give a public hearing in its room at the State House in Augusta, Maine, Feb. 15th at 2 P. M., on the proposed amendments to the Constitution, Chapter 21 of the Acts of 1916, and on the proposed amendments to the Constitution, Chapter 21 of the Acts of 1916, and on the proposed amendments to the Constitution, Chapter 21 of the Acts of 1916.

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WANT COLUMN.

Put your Want and Sale notices here and they will be read in 3,000 Oxford County homes—4 lines, 1 week, 25c. 5 weeks 50c.

NOTICE.

I wish to announce to the people of Bethel and vicinity that I am prepared to do all kinds of plumbing and repair work at a reasonable price, also sheet metal work. All work carefully and promptly attended to.

ALBERT BURKE,

Bethel, Maine. Telephone—Shop, 19-12; Res., 29-7

NEW SPRING WASH GOODS

It's time to begin planning your spring clothes. We are ready to help you, with a big showing of the NEW SPRING MATERIALS.

They include Muslins, Voiles, Flaxons, Beach Cloth, Soisette, Gabardines, Poplins. The colors this season are very bright. Stripes and large polka dots on white or cream ground are very popular.

The next time you are out we want you to come in and see the new things, if only to see what they are like.

Quite a few new wool goods are coming in in the fancy stripes and checks for spring.

Wash goods at 15c, 19c, 25c, 29c and 50c.

RED TAG SALE

Still going on as there are still some very good values left.

Shirt Waists at 65c and 95c.

Dress Skirts at \$3.45.

Hemmed Linen Crash Remnants 15c yard.

Flannelette House Dresses \$1.15.

Pure Linen Napkins \$1.05 and \$1.45.

All Suits Just Half Price now, from \$6.25 up.

Wool Serge Dresses \$3.95 and up.

It will pay you to come in and look around.

BROWN, BUCK & CO.

NORWAY,

MAINE

AUTO SHOW

PLEASURE CARS TRUCKS ACCESSORIES

PORTLAND, MAINE

MILLION DOLLAR DISPLAY EXPOSITION BUILDING

FEBRUARY 19-24

Special Railroad Rates Concert Afternoons and Evenings

BRYANT'S POND.

The selectmen are in session settling up the affairs of the past year and are making their annual report.

Two basketball teams have been organized here, one called the town team and the other the new members of the high school. The town team played their first game in Paris and will have a return game with that team here this week.

A special meeting was held at the Baptist church, Monday evening, presided over by Mrs. Alice C. Quincy of North Paris, State president of the W. C. T. U.

With the thermometer registering thirty five below Saturday morning the housewives decided to postpone their errands as the ice for one week. Several more are expected in the next few days.

Letter from the at Bethel where he has a position in one of the mills. He will make his family soon from the Bethel office in East Wood street to this place.

James L. K. is still very feeble from the effects of a shock to the left side. He is staying here with his stepdaughter, Mrs. Frank Johnson.

When Your Child Cries

at night and wakes restlessly, you feel worried. Mother Gray's Sweet Powdery for Children Brings up Girls in C. H. Maine, Maine. Parsonage, (Maine) says, "Working Mothers, and destroy worms. Used by Mothers for 30 years. All Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Write: Mother Gray Co., La. Hay, N. Y. Adv. 618 H.

A BARGAIN

In Women's High Cut Boots, Gun Metal, Lace, 8 Inch Heel, Low Heel, Goodyear Welt, Receding Toe. They are a good trade at \$5.00. Other kinds for \$4.00, \$5.50 and \$6.00.

E. N. SWETT SHOE CO.

Opera House Block, Telephone 34-2

NORWAY,

MAINE

We pay postage on all mail orders.

BETHEL and Vicinity

Mr. Fred B. Hall was in Lewiston, Friday.

Everett Smith was home from Oilead, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hastings were in Augusta, Thursday.

Mr. E. O. Park was a business visitor in Portland, Monday.

Mrs. Chester Wheeler from Oilead was in Bethel, Monday.

Mr. Charles Tuell went to Grafton, Monday, returning Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Herriek returned to Mt. Holyoke College, Monday.

Mrs. Robert Sanborn was the guest of Miss Cleo Russell, Monday.

Mrs. B. W. Kimball is spending the week with her sister in Sumner.

Mr. C. E. Tolman of South Paris was a business visitor in Bethel, Monday.

Mr. Clarence Bennett is moving into the rent over Bosserman's Drug Store.

Mrs. Adams was called to Shelburne on account of the death of her mother.

Mr. Robert Snodgrass of Berlin, N. H., was a business visitor in town, Saturday.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Horace Andrews, Tuesday, Feb. 13, at three o'clock P. M.

Dr. Gard Twaddle of Lewiston spent the week end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Twaddle.

Mrs. Frank Kendall was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Ring, at W. Paris one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Thurston are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter, born Feb. 1.

Mrs. Leslie Cummings and daughter of Albany are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alanson Tyler.

Mrs. Millie Clark and Mrs. Fred Clark were guests of Mrs. Emma Bartlett at West Bethel, Friday.

Mrs. E. C. Park was the guest of Mrs. E. R. Kilburn at the Congress Bq. Hotel several days last week.

Mrs. Millie Clark was called to South Waterford, Wednesday, by the illness of her aunt, Mrs. Clement Riggs.

Mrs. J. H. Howe and little daughter, Agnes, are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kimball.

Mr. Frank Brown is attending the National Good Roads Convention, being held at the Merchants' Building in Boston.

Mrs. Roswell Frost, who has been spending several days with relatives in town, returned to her home in Norway, Friday.

The Westcott Club met Thursday, Feb. 1, with Mrs. Thomas Brown. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ralph Young.

Mrs. Newton and daughter, who have been spending a few weeks with Mrs. Newton's grandchildren, have returned to their home in New York.

Mr. George Hallow, has moved from the rent over Bosserman's Drug Store to the rent recently vacated by Frank W. Hanson on Mason street.

Mr. Frank Williamson and family have vacated their home on Mason street and have gone to Norway River to live with his father, R. M. William.

Mrs. Wm. Lowe went to Haverhill and Boston, Tuesday, where she will visit her son, Maynard, and daughter, Mrs. Harris White, for a couple of weeks.

The Noble Grand of the Rebekah Lodge has appointed a special meeting for initiation to be held Monday evening, Feb. 12. The meeting was postponed from Feb. 5 on account of the storm.

At the annual meeting of the Hook and Ladder Co., held last Thursday evening the following officers were elected: Foreman, Fred Clark; Assistant, Albert Heath; Herbert Swan; Secretary and Treasurer, R. L. French.

"Well, did he pay you anything?" asked the business manager.

"Yes," replied the female collector; "he paid me a compliment. He said he wouldn't be afraid to trust me with the money if he had any."—Yankers Statesman.

WEST PERU.

Chas. Child is in poor health. Mrs. John Putnam has been ill with a grip cold the past week.

Mrs. Alton Lovejoy is stopping with her parents, A. C. Hammond and wife, for a while.

Miss Adelaide Atkins is gaining at the home of G. L. Rowe in the village. Cecil Putnam bought a car load of beef cattle and shipped them to a man in Auburn the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Chase and Baby Chase spent Sunday evening with R. S. Tracy and family.

Mrs. Abbie R. Irish is visiting at the home of her brother, J. R. Morrill. Mr. Morrill has been quite sick with a cold and asthma the past week.

LOOKER'S MILLS.

The scholars of the grammar school held their sale of fancy articles, cake, candy and ice cream at the schoolroom, Thursday evening. A good sum was realized.

The Boys' Club held their third annual banquet in the hotel dining room, Saturday evening at eight. The menu contained the following: Oyster Stew, Roast Chicken, Pork and Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Sweet Corn, Mince and Apple Pie, and Coffee, and Cigars.

Lester Tobbet was a guest of his mother at Auburn the week end.

Geo. Turrell received a visit from his brother from Canton, recently.

Mrs. King Bartlett is visiting with relatives in Auburn.

Mattie McFarland visited with relatives at Auburn, Sunday.

Howard Kelley was home from Bethel, Sunday.

NORTH NEWRY.

P. O. Walker of Newford was in town the last of the week, looking after his farming business.

Mr. Sawyer, who is working for the R. M. Co., has gone to Hallow River.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright called on Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Kilgore, Sunday.

Mr. Frank Backley and Miss Charlotte Vail started for Grafton, Sunday.

Charles Sprunt, who has been working for R. W. Kilgore, has gone to his home in Bethel, N. H.

P. O. Buck went to Bethel, Friday, returning Saturday.

There will be a whist party at the Orange Hall, Newry Corner, Saturday night, Feb. 10. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

C. C. Bennett called on H. H. Hanson and family, Sunday.

Chester Chapman and Selma Smith attended the drama and dance at East Bethel, Friday night.

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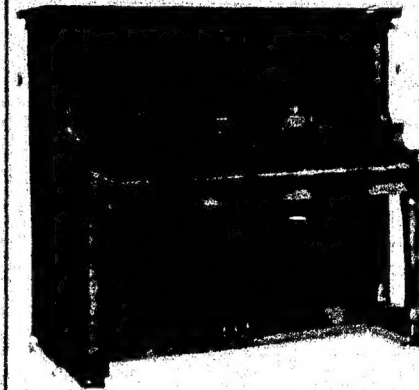
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DOES YOUR HOME

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Cultivate a Sense of Humor and Drive the Gloom out of the Family Circle

"It is certainly good to have 'laughter' in the house," said the woman whose hair is showing silvery light. "We're a serious lot at our house, suppose we used to laugh some while we were all young, but as the years and the troubles have piled up, we've taken ourselves very seriously."

"Dullness pervaded our household from end to end. Our evenings were like funeral gatherings barring the usual weeping. Nobody ever thought of anything funny. I'd have jumped anybody had laughed. If any of us had undertaken to smile, the rest would have thought that one's mind was going wrong."

"We went earnestly about our work, discussed the problems of the day, sympathized with each other's ailments and have always been good citizens. But we were like a house with the shades eternally pulled down."

"Then my cousin, who was left with out a thing, came to live with us. She is a delicate little body, too."

"We took it for granted she would never smile again. When she suddenly laughed out loud one day over some little of old Bruno, who's in his second puppyhood, we looked at each other with that I-told-you-so air. Her brain was giving way!"

"But after that she laughed often. She was one of those resilient people who can't be downed by trouble. The sense of humor in her lifted her over catastrophes. When mother stood up on the day I broke the lampshade, my cousin laughed until the tears rolled down her cheeks—said our serious faces were the funniest things she'd ever seen."

"Well, we finally got used to her. Then we felt that we'd missed her laugh if we didn't hear it. Then we began to smile a little ourselves and finally, one evening, we were all startled by hearing strange sounds from father."

"He was reading something by Mark Twain, and he had come to the part where somebody asked Twain what was worse than a combination of mumps and measles, and Twain answered that he should think it would be worse to have rheumatism and St. Vitus dance at the same time. It hit father's long-drawn funny spot and when he started to laugh he didn't just know how to do it. We went over and slapped him on the back and asked him what was the matter. My cousin found out the truth, then she sat down on the floor and shrieked. Before it was over we were all nearly sick from laughing."

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Some people laugh so easily that they laugh at their own jokes and at what they read in the funny papers, but most folks have to be given chloroform before you can pull a laugh out of them.

Also some people laugh because they have got a funny bone and are easily tickled, but other folks laugh because they have got a nice set of teeth.

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Seven of Prof's steers
Went wild one day
And to the swamps
And hills did stray.

And proffered in the swamps
And hills to roam
Instead of a wren
And up-to-date home.

And there ate brouse
Instead of hay,
And on the cold snow
They would lay.

Prof. was much worried,
For he is sure kind hearted,
And had hardly slept one wink
Since from him they had parted.

After trying many schemes,
He vowed to man and God,
That he would have those steers back,
If it took all of his wad.

So he offered fifty dollars,
And even would pay more,
To have those steers landed,
Inside of his barn door.

First there came the Hotel help,
Three men to every steer,
But to pay them anything,
Prof. did not fear.

If you have wild steers to catch,
With greensies do not talk,
But go and get Kimball and dog,
And also Swan and York.

For with the greatest skill,
Those boys got three all right,
But for the other four
They all would have to fight.

And then they got Kimball and dog,
And started one big steer,
With the dog at the steer's nose,
To Prof's they drew near.

And with the lightest sleigh,
And fastest horse in town,
Prof. thought with ease,
He could run that critter down.

And then Prof. said, "Watch me boys,
For I shall sure drop dead,
For with this wonderful little horse,
That critter I cannot head."

But when that steer turned,
And outran him up the street,
Prof. was amazed
That a steer could be so fleet.

For he had used the whip,
And yelled with all his might,
But couldn't gain one rod,
On that steer's mad flight.

And even with his auto,
Without a flying start,
That steer would get away,
As he did that day all right.

So finally that dog,
Drove those steers all down,
But that last one he got,
They thought it sure would drown.

For he ran to the Androscoggin,
And on the ice broke through,
And they choked him near to death,
The only thing to do.

And blown up like a bladder,
Out on the ice he slid,
And that ended up the chase,
And they all felt mighty big.

Now the Prof. was up against it,
To pay one awful bill,
But when he looked at those thin steers
It was one bitter pill.

J. A. Chapman.

NORTHWEST ALBANY.

Deferred.
Elwin Rolfe and family have all been
sick with very bad colds.

George Mills has been quite sick and
is not able to work.

The caters at F. W. Rolfe's, Thurs-
day, were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Towse,
P. I. Deas, F. W. Rolfe and son, Mar-
shall, Mrs. P. I. Rolfe and two chil-
dren, Carl and Clarence.

Herman Bennett has moved down to
Patterson's Mill.

Rexford Rolfe called on his grand-
parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rolfe,
Sunday.

J. A. McKenney has a crew working
in the woods on the place formerly
owned by M. L. Mason, now owned by
the Hasslages.

Money talks, and when we give it to
charity it positively yells itself hoarse.

CANTON

Rev. George Hamlin, D. D., associ-
ate secretary of the United Baptist
State Convention, will occupy the pul-
pit of the Free Baptist church, Sunday,
Feb. 18th.

Mrs. Arthur Glines has been visiting
her son, Harold Glines and family of
Unity.

Theodore W. Woodward has gone to
Rumford to work.

Mrs. Gordon Dymont went to Rum-
ford, Saturday, to have an operation
performed upon her ankle at the Mc-
Carthy hospital.

The subject of Miss L. B. Trean-
well's discourse at the F. B. church,
Sunday, was "A Christian," and in
the evening, "The Lame Man Healed."

A juvenile choir furnished music in
the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Winslow are re-
ceiving congratulations on the birth of
a son last Thursday.

The preliminary speaking of the
eighteen students of Canton High
school will be held Wednesday and
Friday afternoons of this week.

Mrs. Maria Francis is under the care
of a trained nurse.

The first and second degrees will be
conferred at the meeting of Canton
Grange, Saturday.

A pleasant meeting of the Ladies'
Aid of the Free Baptist church was
held Thursday with Mrs. Birdena Han-
dy. A bountiful dinner was served at
the noon hour. The following officers
were elected for the new year: Presi-
dent, Mrs. Florie Bisbee; Vice Presi-
dent, Mrs. John N. Foye; Secretary,
Miss Reba Crockett; Treasurer, Mrs.
Minnie Oliver; Chaplain, Mrs. Mattie
Thomas.

Mrs. Myrtle Bradford is in Mad-
ison, assisting in the care of her sister,
Lebarron Card has sold his heavy
pair of work horses to Robain Arac-
nault of Lewiston to be used in his
lumbering operations.

Charles B. Dodge, who has been en-
gaged for his brother, F. W. Dodge, for
several weeks, has returned to his home
in Bridgton.

Ira S. Hawkins, who passed away at
the home of his daughter, Mrs. George
Drake of Lewiston, was a former resi-
dent of Canton and an uncle of Mrs.
J. W. Dickson of this place.

Mrs. A. E. Johnson is confined to her
home with rheumatism.

At Canton Grange hall, Tuesday, a
local branch of the N. E. Milk Pro-
ducers' Association was organized by
C. F. Tripp secretary. The meeting was
a large and enthusiastic one and twen-
ty-one joined the association. The fol-
lowing officers were elected: President,
D. A. Bisbee; Vice President, A. H.
Adams; Secretary and Treasurer, C. L.
Adams; Executive Committee, C. T.
Donney, A. J. Foster and W. F. Mit-
chell, Jr.; Membership and By-Laws Com-
mittee, C. E. Mendall, O. E. Hardy and
C. F. Tripp.

Charles Hollis gave a party to twen-
ty of his young friends, Tuesday even-
ing, his 16th birthday. The evening
was pleasantly passed with music,
games, cards and dancing. Refresh-
ments of cake, ice cream and fancy
cookies were served.

The young people of the Christian
Endeavor Society held a box supper and
social at G. A. R. hall, Wednesday eve-
ning which was well attended and
much enjoyed. An entertainment was
given by the children.

The Universalist Circle met Thursday
with Mrs. Lillian Bicknell. The next
meeting will be at the Bevere House
with Mrs. Cora Fuller as hostess.

Lucius Young of Livermore passed
away Saturday after a long period of
ill health. He is survived by his wife
and an adopted daughter, Mrs. Elma
Mitchell of Massachusetts, who has
been with him the past few weeks. He
was a veteran of the Civil War and
an honored member of Canton Grange,
No. 110, P. of H.

The lecture by Dr. Frank D. Tubbs
was postponed on account of the storm
Thursday.

The Pine Tree Club met with Mrs.
Elith H. Ellis, Saturday, with the vice
president, Mrs. Mary Carson, presiding.
A historical paper was read by Mrs.
Cora H. Fuller; "Life of Washington."

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A mother of six children writes:
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Worm Expeller. Now I have
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tive and Worm Expeller,
in my house. Mrs. R. N.
Giles, West Newbury."

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ach, swollen upper lip, round stomach,
frequent breaths, hard and full belly
with occasional gripings and pains
about the navel, pale face, listless-
ness, eyes heavy and dull, twitching
eyelids, itching of the nose, itching of
the rectum, short, dry cough, grinding
of the teeth, little points sticking out
on tongue, starting during sleep, slow
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these symptoms, start giving Dr. Tru's
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One lot Men's Spring and Fall Overcoats (small sizes), regular prices, \$7.50, \$10 and \$12, Your choice, \$5.00
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TODAY? THE GREATEST THROAT AND
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Mrs. Carson; reading by Artemus Ward,
Miss Marguerite Hollis; current events,
Mrs. F. W. Morse; quotations were given
from Washington and "the Cham-
bered Nautilus," by Holmes, read.
There was also a contest which was
much enjoyed. The next session will be
held with Mrs. Cora D. Fuller, Feb. 17.
Miss Mildred Richardson has returned
from a month's visit in Boston.
Miss Marguerite Sampson went to
the Children's Hospital at Portland,
Monday, to be treated for curvature of
the spine. She was accompanied by
her mother and Mrs. Flora York.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Soper of Fay-
ette are guests of their daughters, Mrs.
Ray K. Merrow and Mrs. Ellis Sam-
son.

FARM PRODUCTION.

\$13,440,000,000 Estimated Total Gross
Value of Crops and Animal Products
for Year 1916.

By far the largest gross value of farm
production in this country was reached
in 1916, according to estimates made
by the United States Department of
Agriculture. The total of crops and ani-
mal products was \$13,440,000,000, an in-
crease of \$2,674,000,000 over the total
of 1915, which was itself a high-water
mark. The mere increase is greater
than the census gross value of farm pro-
duction in 1899, and is nearly as large
as the census crop value in 1899. The
increase of 1916 over 1915 was \$3,554,
000,000. The gross value of farm pro-
duction is the total of crops and animal
products, and takes no account of the
cost of a product as a material for other
production; nor are any costs of pro-
duction subtracted. Consequently, the
value of gross production should be re-
garded as an index number, and not as
so many net dollars put into the fam-
er's pocket.

The value of the net product of
wealth on farms has not been deter-
mined, and can not now be estimated.
The items for the estimated years are
expressed in gross value and are made
to conform to the census plan so as to
be comparable with those for the cen-
sus years.

If the gross value of the census farm
production of 1899 is represented by
100, the value for 1916 was 46.3; for
1909, 38.4; for 1904, 31.4; for 1914,
50.5; for 1915, 53.4; and for 1916,
56.1.

In the subdivision of the value of
gross production into its two main ele-
ments, crops and animal products, it
appears that the total estimated crop
value in 1916 was \$6,111,000,000, an
amount greater than the sum of the es-
timated values of crops and of animal
products for any year previous to 1916,

greater than the total estimated crop
value of 1915 by \$2,204,000,000, and
of 1914 by \$2,939,000,000.

The total estimated value of animal
products in 1916 was \$4,333,000,000,
or more than double the value for 1904,
which was the highest amount to that
time. It was greater than the estimated
value of animal products in 1915 by
\$470,000,000, and of 1914 by \$555,000,
000.

Compared with the value of farm
crops in 1899, represented by 100, the
crop value for 1909 was 18.3; for 1914,
30.3; for 1915, 33.0; and for 1916,
36.3. A similar comparison for ani-
mal products results in a percentage of
178.7 for 1909, 220.2 for 1914, 225.1 for
1915, and 252.5 for 1916.

The crop value for 1916 increased over
that of 1899 by 263.3 per cent., of
1909 by 68 per cent., of 1914 by 49
per cent., and of 1915 by 31.0 per cent.
The value of animal products increased
in 1916 over 1909 by 155.5 per cent.,
over 1909 by 41.3 per cent., over 1914
by 14.7 per cent., and over 1915 by
12.2 per cent.

From 1898 to 1914 the total crop val-
ue, as a fraction of the value of total
gross farm production, declined from
84.6 to 61.9 per cent. In 1915, on the
contrary, this tendency was not only
arrested, but was sharply reversed, and
the crop value then became 64.1 per
cent. of the total of crops and animal
products, followed by another sharp ad-
vance to 67.7 per cent. in 1916.

Four crops have each exceeded a
billion dollars in value at the farm in
1916. The estimate for corn is \$2,296,
000,000; cotton lint, based on gross
weight, \$1,128,000,000; cotton crop, in-
cluding lint and seed, \$1,466,000,000;
hay, tame and wild, \$1,162,000,000;
wheat, \$1,028,000,000. Other crops that
each exceeded a hundred million dol-
lars are oats, \$636,000,000; potatoes,
\$417,000,000; farm wood-lot products,
\$331,000,000; apples, \$198,000,000; to-
bacco, \$169,000,000; barley, \$160,000,
000.

The level of prices paid to producers
for the principal crops December 1,
1916, was about 53.9 per cent. higher
than a year previous, 32.9 per cent.
higher than two years before, and 52.4
per cent. higher than the average of
the previous eight years on December
1. The year 1916 was one of compara-
tively low crop production, but the prices
and values of most of the crops were
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and not until 1920 or 1921 do the taxes under the bond plan even approximate the increase in direct taxation as required by the mill tax plan. The mill tax pays no money for interest but postpones the roads; the bond plan requires interest but gets the roads now. The mill tax places the burden upon us. The bond issue asks our children to share in the expense of this gigantic undertaking, the benefits of which they will enjoy. The mill tax plan postpones the roads; the bond plan postpones the payment." Prof. Ellis, favoring the mill tax, declared, "If we must have money we must be willing to pay the interest money. We cannot escape the issue, and the longer the bonds continue, the greater must be the burden of debt which the people of Maine must consent to bear. When we have spent this \$5,000,000 or \$6,000,000 our work is only partly accomplished. The great problem is not of construction but of maintenance. From the standpoint of dollars and cents we must instantly recognize the fact that the longer any issue of bonds runs the greater becomes the aggregate cost. For example, an issue of \$4,000,000 in serial bonds is said to run 50 years will ultimately cost the State \$10,000,000 in interest alone, or, in other words, we should be obliged to pay more in interest than we received from the total issue of outstanding bonds.

In connection with highway matters Rep. Harman's order for an inquiry into the administration of the commission is of interest. The order says, "Ordered, that the State Highway commission file with the Legislature forthwith an itemized statement of all expenditures incurred, particularly and in detail the amount expended in actual road construction, exclusive of surveys, inspection, advice, etc., as well as a detailed statement of all other expenditures." Mr. Harman was questioned as to the intent of the order, and replied, "I have been told by people who ought to be well informed that only 25 per cent of the money appropriated for roads actually goes into road building, the rest going to pay for the expenses of the department." He thought such reports should be cleared up.

Rep. Rodman of Bethel introduced a resolution calling for an amendment to the Constitution to provide for a bond issue of \$10,000,000 for good roads. The money would be available in 1918 if the amendment should be passed at a special election in September and followed by a special election in 1919. The money would be divided equitably among the counties of the State.

In regard to the proposed enactment of a law for registration of residents of 18 and over, Chairman Harry B. Austin of the Fish and Game commission has spoken on his support and argues that it provides a means of identification of residents and non-residents and would prevent non-residents hunting as residents. It would, he believes, increase the sale of stamps and non-resident licenses by 50 per cent, or a 50 per cent increase. A fee of \$1 to license would amount to about \$11,000.

Representative Thomas of Lisbon and First of Maine introduced bills calling for registration of all persons for non-resident hunters.

For two hours during the afternoon of Wednesday, Jan. 31, leading women and men of the State, representing all the foremost women's and charitable organizations, attended the convention of legal affairs on the need of the enactment of a mothers' pension law in this State, to enable mothers with dependent children deprived of support from other sources to receive from the State, without pauperizing them, that degree of aid which would enable them to keep their children together and bring them up in their own homes. The bill calls for the appropriation of \$100,000 for the first year, and \$200,000 for each of the next two years. The sum would not exceed \$1 a week for each mother with a child under 16 years of age with \$5 each for every other child under 16. The State and the non-resident would share the expense.

Rep. Wilson of Portland introduced a bill authorizing the Maine Central Railroad to build a line from Bethel to the eastern boundary of Maine to connect with the railroad to be built by the government of Canada. This line would be a direct line from New England to a shorter route by the Maine Central Railroad.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one cure for the disease that is known as Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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training in the public schools of Maine, of not less than high school grade. Vigorous opposition is meeting the bill calling for a nine hour day for car conductors and motormen, this time to be worked in a total of 11 hours. Pres. Wm. M. Bradley of the Cumberland County Power and Light Co. said it would cost his company an increase of \$15,258.15 for the passenger service and \$3,510 for summer park service. Judge George Newell said it would cost the Lewiston, Augusta and Waterville Co., over \$30,000 in running expenses.

Considerable argument and suggestions for legislation developed during the last week over lobster questions. On Monday before the Legislature convened the commission authorized by the last Legislature for the better protection and preservation of the lobster fisheries reported the legal length of 10 1/2 inches should be sustained as "the safest and surest length."

ANALYZING FARM BUSINESS.

Farmers Adopting the Practice as a Means of Determining the Efficiency of Farming Methods.

That the farmers of the country are adopting more and more the practice of analyzing their business carefully and using this analysis in keeping books was brought out recently in the hearings on the agricultural appropriation bill before the Committee on Agriculture of the House of Representatives. The Office of Farm Management of the United States Department of Agriculture has provided in Farmers' Bulletin No. 661 blanks for use in analyzing a farm business in such a way that the farmer can readily ascertain the various sources from which he derives his income, the ways in which he spends his money, the total income from the farm, and the amount which should be charged off for interest on his investment.

County agents, it was said, make much use of this bulletin. They take it to the farmer, sit down with him, and work out with him a complete analysis of his business, so that he is able to see exactly in what respects he is losing money and in what respects he is making it. Furthermore, these blanks are frequently used when farmers write to the department for advice and assistance. In such cases it is customary to send the inquiry in the bulletin, with the request for him to analyze with its aid his business. The information thus obtained is compared with similar information on file in the department and the specialists in the Office of Farm Management are thus enabled to point out the mistakes which are causing trouble in any one individual case. It may be found, for example, that a dairyman is spending from three to four times as much money for labor as other farmers conducting business on a similar scale.

To secure the necessary data that enable the department to determine whether or not a farmer is conducting his business as efficiently as any one report as he should, extensive farm surveys are made in representative localities. A group of from 500 to 750 representative farms is selected, and a detailed analysis of the business of each one of these made by trained experts. They ascertain what the investment is, how much of it is in land and buildings, and how much in live stock, machinery, feed, supplies, etc. The production of the farm in crops and live stock is ascertained, and the returns from the sales of all products ascertained. The survey also includes an estimate of the amount of depreciation of the buildings, work stock, machinery, etc., on the farm. With this information it is possible to determine approximately what the average farmer in that section is doing, and when this average is compared with individual cases it is possible to throw light on why the prosperous farmer is succeeding and why his less fortunate neighbor is not.

Approximately one-third of the farmers who have been induced to analyze their business in this way, it is said, are now keeping books. Hitherto, many farmers have been discouraged from this by the apparent complexity of the system employed. By simplifying these systems in that the farmer can tell what the figures are all about and how to use them, the department is greatly increasing the amount of bookkeeping being done on the farms of the country.

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PRODUCE WINTER EGGS.

Supply in Period of Greatest Scarcity May Be Increased by Proper Methods of Caring for the Birds.

Poultry owners who wish to obtain a satisfactory production of eggs during the fall and early winter should arrange to hatch pullets in March or April. Birds hatched at this time will be well matured in the fall. Furthermore, a greater proportion of them will go broody early in the spring, thus completing the circle necessary for production in the fall.

Pullets hatched in the spring can be induced to lay more abundantly in the winter if they are properly fed, housed, and handled. On the average general farm, very few eggs are secured at the time when eggs bring the highest prices. It will pay the poultry owner, therefore, to devote a little trouble to providing his birds with the most favorable surroundings for the winter.

The house should be thoroughly cleaned, disinfected, and made tight before the cold weather sets in. If the house has a dirt floor, it is well to remove 3 or 4 inches of dirt from the top and to replace this material with dry gravel or sand. On cement or wooden floors 4 or 5 inches of fresh straw or litter may be thrown down after the floor has been cleaned.

Ventilation is another important factor to consider. The house should be tight on three sides, but for the fourth a movable curtain may be used for from one-third to one-half its extent. In any case, there should be some ventilation in the house, even on the coldest nights. Fowls will stand considerable cold air, provided it is dry, and ventilation will keep the air thoroughly dry in the house. On the other hand, drafts are likely to cause roup and other troubles.

Many farmers, in feeding their birds, overlook the fact that beef scrap or some similar feed is very essential during the winter months if a good supply of eggs is to be obtained. A convenient method of feeding beef scrap is in a mash made of three parts corn meal and one part each of wheat bran, wheat middlings, and beef scrap. Skimmed milk or buttermilk may be used in place of the beef scrap, but if the supply is limited some scrap also should be fed.

In experiments conducted by the U. S. Department of Agriculture it was found that for the first four months pullets fed a ration containing beef scrap produced, on an average, 41.5 eggs, while those fed the same ration without the scrap produced only 18.7. The cost of feeding the latter birds was 2.3 cents higher for every dozen eggs produced than in the case of the pullets fed beef scrap.

The birds should have plenty to eat, but they also should always be eager for each meal. If one-third of the scratch grain furnished them is fed in the morning and two-thirds at night, the birds will take more exercise than if they receive all the grain they desire in the morning. Good scratch mixtures may be made of equal parts by weight of cracked corn, wheat, and oats, or of two parts of cracked corn and one part each of wheat and oats.

Other directions for the winter care of birds are contained in a new publication of the United States Department of Agriculture, Circular 71, Office of the Secretary, Winter Egg Production.

New Mail announcing visitors: "Please 'smile' in this lady you told me to say you was out!"—London "Optician."

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TRADES AND MERCHANTS IN SURANCO CO. LOWELL, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Mortgage Loans	\$ 38,198.00
Stocks and Bonds	365,890.00
Cash in Office and Bank	5,360.45
Agents' Balances	12,825.55
Interest and Rents	2,141.64
Gross Assets	\$410,228.44
Deduct Items not admitted	1,602.24
Admitted Assets	\$410,228.44
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 6,258.41
Unearned Premiums	250,244.85
All other Liabilities	4,052.03
Surplus over all Liabilities	157,070.50

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$410,228.40

Agent: W. R. TARBON, Fryeburg, Me.

MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY, BALTIMORE, MD.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate	\$1,164,096.15
Mortgage Loans	54,401.33
Stocks and Bonds	1,054,529.41
Cash in Office and Bank	421,288.87
Agents' Balances	1,730,380.47
Bills Receivable	7,810.62
Interest and Rents	51,469.45
All other Assets	3,284.83
Gross Assets	\$10,575,841.13
Deduct Items not admitted	329,970.10
Admitted Assets	\$10,245,871.03
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$2,600,231.52
Unearned Premiums	4,058,318.51
All other Liabilities	530,320.68
Cash Capital	1,500,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,561,000.02

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$10,245,871.03

LLOYDS PLATE GLASS INS. CO. OF NEW YORK.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate	\$275,000.00
Mortgage Loans	74,220.00
Stocks and Bonds	559,542.53
Cash in Office and Bank	30,375.17
Agents' Balances	90,384.20
Interest and Rents	55,094.40
All other Assets	7,207.37
Gross Assets	\$1,041,809.33
Deduct Items not admitted	95,009.29
Admitted Assets	\$946,800.04
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$245,539.74
Unearned Premiums	\$1,297,444.96
All other Liabilities	95,244.43
Cash Capital	250,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	255,136.92

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$946,800.74

PENNSYLVANIA LUMBERMEN'S MUTUAL FIRE INS. CO. 808 LAYETTE BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Mortgage Loans	\$ 75,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	645,570.60
Cash in Office and Bank	141,164.03
Agents' Balances	27,131.61
Interest and Rents	10,640.25
All other Assets	16,526.97
Gross Assets	\$915,912.51
Deduct Items not admitted	21,221.02
Admitted Assets	\$894,691.49
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 30,508.18
Unearned Premiums	267,507.30
All other Liabilities	5,797.87
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$596,885.34

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$894,691.49

THE LUMBER MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF BOSTON, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Bonds	\$681,295.15
Cash in Office and Bank	110,240.00
Agents' Balances	17,202.79
Interest	15,177.28
All other Assets	16,314.61
Gross Assets	\$1,111,094.81
Deduct Items not admitted	34,808.87
Admitted Assets	\$1,076,285.94
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 14,288.28
Unearned Premiums	275,431.84
All other Liabilities	397,248.84
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$589,317.82

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,076,285.97

WEST BETHEL.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Gilbert are being visited by Mr. Gilbert's mother and sister from Colchester, N. H.

Mrs. E. H. Mason and Mrs. C. McFarland were in Hiram's Pool, Tuesday afternoon Oxford County people.

E. H. Briggs and George Dexter are at the school.

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AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK, 100 BROADWAY, NEW YORK, N. Y.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate	\$3,415,000.00
Mortgage Loans	76,181.89
Collateral Loans	205,136.28
Stocks and Bonds	4,339,421.33
Cash in Office and Bank	1,749,819.87
Agents' Balances	775,515.95
Interest and Rents	40,506.25
All other Assets	478,168.74
Gross Assets	\$10,478,879.31
Deduct Items not admitted	608,472.57
Admitted Assets	\$9,870,406.74
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 789,826.50
Unearned Premiums	2,267,458.08
All other Liabilities	518,538.55
Cash Capital	5,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	1,259,074.75

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$9,870,406.74

EQUITABLE ACCIDENT COMPANY, BOSTON, MASS.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Mortgage Loans	\$ 3,950.00
Stocks and Bonds	148,660.75
Cash in Office and Bank	13,465.51
Agents' Balances	1,070.58
Interest and Rents	707.25
All other Assets	
Gross Assets	\$168,844.39
Deduct Items not admitted	\$168,844.39
Admitted Assets	\$168,844.39
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$12,590.50
Unearned Premiums	10,004.56
All other Liabilities	3,475.57
Cash Capital	100,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	42,773.71

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$168,844.30

THE CENTRAL MANUFACTURERS' MUTUAL INSURANCE CO. OF VAN WERT, OHIO.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate	\$ 40,000.00
Mortgage Loans	215,900.00
Stocks and Bonds	617,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank	67,092.52
Agents' Balances	138,585.78
Interest and Rents	3,732.43
All other Assets	10,012.00
Gross Assets	\$1,001,133.73
Deduct Items not admitted	\$1,001,133.73
Admitted Assets	\$1,001,133.73
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 72,824.07
Unearned Premiums	415,016.47
All other Liabilities	30,542.78
Surplus over all Liabilities	472,849.41

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$1,001,133.73

THE VERMONT MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, MONTPELIER, VERMONT.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate	\$ 50,000.00
Cash in Office and Bank	240,247.41
Agents' Balances	301,804.27
All other Assets	1,534.47
Gross Assets	\$402,646.15
Deduct Items not admitted	\$402,646.15
Admitted Assets	\$402,646.15
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 14,155.55
Unearned Premiums	45,297.17
All other Liabilities	44,583.58
Surplus over all Liabilities	298,607.77

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$402,646.15

SCOTTISH UNION & NATIONAL INSURANCE CO. EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND.

Assets Dec. 31, 1916.

Real Estate	\$ 313,788.37
Mortgage Loans	181,000.00
Stocks and Bonds	3,865,010.11
Cash in Office and Bank	438,254.18
Agents' Balances	635,132.92
Interest and Rents	97,168.25
Gross Assets	\$7,109,523.74
Deduct Items not admitted	\$21,519.03
Admitted Assets	\$7,088,004.71
Liabilities Dec. 31, 1916	
Net Unpaid Losses	\$ 330,558.01
Unearned Premiums	2,867,367.31
All other Liabilities	171,233.11
Capital Deposit	280,500.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	\$3,599,346.28

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$7,088,004.71

STOP THAT COUGH.

A hacking cough weakens the whole system, drains your energy and gets worse if neglected; your throat is raw, your chest aches and you feel more or less. Relieve that cold at once with Dr. King's New Discovery. The soothing pine balsam heals

RUMFORD

On Thursday evening of this week at the Stephens High school building, will be held an equal suffrage meeting. Frederick W. Freeman of Portland, treasurer of the Referendum League, will be the speaker. Mr. Freeman is a graduate of Boston Tech. and is the manager of the Winthrop Manufacturing Company. He is giving his time to the cause, and comes to Rumford in behalf of the Equal Suffrage League.

On Friday evening, Feb. 9, there will be a boxing exhibition between Knuck Webb of Boston and Kid Larabee of Rumford. Each man has posted \$50 for his appearance, as the exhibition to have been held a week ago had to be called off as one of the principals refused to meet his opponent.

The annual fair of Osgood Eaton Relief Corp., No. 93, is to occur on Feb. 22nd, and arrangements are already being completed. Miss Esther Ann Uhl-schoffer, Rumford's former District Nurse, is president of the Berlin, N. H. Relief Corps, the city in which she is now situated as a District Nurse.

There will be a Valentine Social at the Virginia Chapel, Feb. 14, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid. Many novel features will predominate throughout the evening, and refreshments appropriate to St. Valentine's Day will be on sale.

The opera, "Pocahontas," will be presented in Majestic Theatre, April 12 and 13.

Benjamin Woodcock of Wilton has accepted a position in the Oxford Mill and has moved his family here.

George R. Chase has filed a petition in bankruptcy. His liabilities consist of small sums due Rumford merchants. Lucian W. Blanchard is his attorney.

One of the machines at the International Mill has been put on news print, and two more will follow within a few days. The mill has for several years been manufacturing bag paper for the Continental Paper Bag Company, but the scarcity of news print has caused the International officials to make the change.

M. Pruzan has sold the business of the Boston Grocery Company to Aho Stern.

The second annual banquet of the local order of Eagles will be held at Hotel Rumford on Thursday evening, Feb. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. George Donahue are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a 10 pound son.

Mr. Edmund R. Bowers is in New York where he has gone to buy spring goods for the E. K. Day Company.

John Blair of Lewiston is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Young.

Mrs. Lucy Moore of the McKenzie clerking force is ill.

Mrs. Annie Cyr of the E. K. Day Company is in Boston.

Miss Luella Mann is in Boston where she is the guest of her father and grandfather for two weeks. Mrs. Russell Ingalls is substituting in the store of the Direct Importing Company during her absence.

James Law of Dayton, Ohio, has secured employment in the Oxford Mill and will soon move his family here.

Mrs. Norman Nellis has accepted a permanent position as saleslady at the store of Levin, Santer & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hillman have moved into the rent over Leary's store, formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Neil McFadden.

Mr. J. Florence Hollis has returned to Canton to make her home with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Perry have moved from Virginia into John Orino's rent on the Swain Road.

Miss Sarah and Berilla McKenzie, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKenzie, have entered Shaw's Business College in Portland.

The Day's Bible Class of the Virginia District Sunday school will give an entertainment on Thursday evening, Feb. 8, the proceeds of which will be used to pay the expenses of the boys to attend the State Conference held in Lewiston.

On Tuesday evening at the meeting of Peaceable Lodge, N. D. (Y. P.), private exercises were held in memory of the anniversary of the birth of Thomas Willey, founder of American Old Fellowship.

For Poor Appetite and Weak Digestion

The man who can't eat doesn't feel much like working, and the man with a weak stomach doesn't get much pleasure out of eating. Your stomach is very important to your health, work and happiness. Don't abuse it. Don't neglect it, and when for one cause or another, your digestion goes wrong, and you lose appetite, be kind to your stomach. All it needs is a little rest, and a few days' doctoring with Dr. King's New Life Pills. Very soon you will see the improvement in your appetite, and with the relief for good, comes the strength to digest it. For this old family remedy helps the stomach, bowels and liver, and restores good appetite and sound digestion.

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Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Davis had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y. Adv.

Miss Loretta Boyle, who for the past ten years has been a member of the Rumford Falls Times composing room staff, has resigned her position, and entered Shaw's Business College in Portland to take a degree in telegraphy.

The Parent-Teachers' Association of Rumford met at the high school building on Tuesday evening, Feb. 6. A program consisting of music by the Girls' Band, the Universalist Male Quartette and an address by Miss Mary Haskell of the University of Maine was presented. Miss Haskell's subject was "School Gardens and Learning." The Parent-Teachers' Association of the Virginia District met on Monday evening of this week, when Miss Haskell also addressed them, giving a lecture on gardening.

Mrs. John Millidge of Prospect Avenue is recovering from a recent illness.

Following is a list of the new books at the Rumford Public Library:—The Prisoner, Real Motive, Rising Tide, Blithe McBride, Beltane, The Smith, Life and Gabriella, Stories by O. Henry, Twelve volumes—Mary Guata, At the Foot of the Rainbow, Proof of the Pulling, Mr. Britling Sees It Through, All fiction. General Literature, Mysteries, Physics Forces, Frozen Dog Tales, After Dinner Stories, Everybody Up, Ant Communities, Trail of Maine Pioneer, Furniture of our Forefathers, The Pass, Mademoiselle Miss, which comprises letters from an American girl with the rank lieutenant in a French Army hospital at the front.

John Wikount, the leading Lithuanian in Rumford, says that the people of his native country are delighted in having Germany control Poland. The people there have not, for hundreds of years, enjoyed such liberty as now. "The Russians," says Mr. Wikount, "are an uncivilized people, while the Germans are civilized."

Miss Ella Ames and Miss Bertha Ingham, who were to have left last week for Bermuda, were obliged to give up account of no steamers leaving the port of New York for the present. They have, however, left for New York City, Philadelphia and Washington for a vacation of several weeks and may extend their trip to Atlanta.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin T. Hyde of Peabody street left on Friday last for New York City, their trip from there to be determined by conditions. They had planned to go to Porto Rico, but if conditions on the water remain unsafe, they will go South instead.

The blizzard which struck this section on Friday and Saturday last was the most severe for outdoor operations in recent years. With the mercury registering 20 degrees below zero on Congress street, the wind blowing a gale, and snow flying, it tested the pluck and endurance of trackmen and yard crews in the Maine Central yards at Rumford.

Several of the men had frost bites on faces and hands, and it was most difficult to keep the switching trains moving, as the fine snow would fill in switches and rails as fast as shovelled out. With more moderate weather on Sunday, big crews were put on, and tracks opened up. Snow plows and trains hauled out of the yard all day.

Major E. A. Allen, who owns considerable property in the business section of Rumford, has just completed the purchase of the corner property on River street facing Bridge street, now occupied by a Lithuanian store with tenements overhead. This building has a joint ownership, a portion on Bridge and Congress streets being held by Mrs. Mabel Gustin, and is one of the oldest business blocks in town.

Stratigraphy Commandery, No. 21, Knights Templar, at its regular convocations held on Friday evening last, voted to entertain some other commandery on St. John's Day, June 24, and an invitation is extended to Camden Commandery.

At the section sale held on Saturday last by the Rumford Falls Trust Com-

MILK PRODUCERS ORGANIZE.

Meetings were held last week in a number of places in the county to complete the organization of the local bodies under the New England Milk Producers' Association.

The Bethel Local organized Thursday, and will hold its annual meeting the first Thursday in January of each year. Officers: Pres.—Fritz J. Tyler. Vice-Pres.—Alton Bartlett, Hanover. Sec.—Herman Mason. Ex. Com.—Stephen Abbott, Bethel; Chesley Saunders, Hanover; Alonzo Chapman, Bethel.

The West Bethel Local will hold its annual meeting in January, exact date not yet fixed. Officers as follows:

Pres.—J. P. Mather. Vice-Pres.—Henry Verrill. Sec.—Herman Mason. Ex. Com.—Douglas Cushing, Ernest Morrill, G. D. Morrill.

At South Paris the organization was made Wednesday forenoon, the body being known as the South Paris Local of the New England Milk Producers' Association. Officers as follows:

Pres.—H. E. Judd. Vice-Pres.—A. N. Cairns. Sec.—W. C. Thayer. Ex. Com.—B. F. Richards, A. N. Cairns, John McPhee.

The annual meeting will be held, the third Saturday in January of each year, at 10 A. M., and special meetings when necessary.

On Saturday the county organization was completed at Grange Hall, South Paris. The voting members of the county organization are the presidents of the several locals, and one delegate from each local for every twenty members or majority fraction in excess of that number. Annual meeting will be held on the first Saturday in February.

Officers are: Pres.—G. W. Q. Perham, Bryant's Pond. Vice-Pres.—A. T. Eastman, East Heron.

Sec.—Treas.—G. W. Richardson, West Paris. Ex. Com.—A. L. Chaplin, Welchville; C. P. Tripp, Canton; Addison Millett, Waterford.

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pany for the disposal of the "Rumford Jan" on the corner of Hartford and Canal streets, the property was sold for \$100 to a Polish resident of this town, who will tear the building to pieces and remove the lumber for building purposes elsewhere. According to the terms of the sale, the lot must be cleared by April 1st. There are several rumors about as to what kind of a building the Trust Company propose to put up there, but as yet nothing definite has been given out.

Mrs. George Hutchins and Mrs. Fred O. Eaton are spending this week in Augusta with their husbands, who are representatives to the State Legislature.

Word received by relatives in town of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. Greene, announce them as enjoying themselves very much in Jacksonville, Florida. Mr. Greene having purchased an automobile, in which they are touring various portions of the southern country.

The many friends in town of Miss Lila Andrews of Mechanic Falls, were startled to hear on Monday that she was burned to death on Sunday at her home. Miss Andrews was a former resident of this town, residing with Dr. and Mrs. Bishop on Franklin street.

Word was received in town this week of the death of Mr. Warren Salisbury of Chicago. Mr. Salisbury's death came as a great shock to his many friends and relatives here, for whereas he had not been in the best of health for some time past, nothing serious was apprehended. Mr. Salisbury married Miss Eva Kimball of this town, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Kimball, and widespread sympathy is extended to the widow.

Mrs. Gladys Laframme was found over on Monday morning under \$2000 bonds to the March term of Supreme Judicial Court on a charge of enticing girls for purposes of prostitution. This is the first case of this charge over before the Rumford court, and the testimony introduced was of such a nature that all persons were excluded from the court room during the trial. Helen Carey was a witness against Mrs. Laframme on another charge of keeping a disorderly house, and in that case Mrs. Laframme was held in \$1000 bonds. Helen Carey and Rose and Evelyn Mott were charged with breaking and entering and larceny of a dress and pair of slippers from Mrs. Laframme's apartments in her absence, but sentence was suspended during good behavior.

His Deputy Sheriff Thomas Penley of Roxbury road is confined to his home suffering with an abscess in his throat. Mrs. Yvonne Horne is working in the family of Lawyer George A. Hatch, has during the absence of Mrs. Hutchins in Augusta.

Mrs. Mildred Freeman will entertain the Old Bet Club on Saturday evening of this week at her home in the Virginia District.

WEST PARIS

Grace and Mabel Stanley of North Waterford are guests of their sister, Mrs. Bernard Richardson.

E. J. Mann attended Mason meeting at Bryant's Pond, Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Frank Kendall of Bethel was the recent guest of her daughter, Mrs. Walter Ring.

Harrington Mann, who has been in poor health for several months has been suffering from an attack of grip. His daughter, Peris, is ill. At first typhoid fever or pneumonia was feared but latest reports are that a condition of one day may make it necessary to operate upon it.

A local branch of the New England Milk Producers' Association was organized Wednesday at Grange Hall with officers as follows:

Pres.—George W. Richardson. Vice-Pres.—Dana A. Grover. Sec.—Treas.—Arthur Abbott.

The old folks' ball at Centennial Hall, Tuesday evening of last week was a great success. More than sixty couples enjoyed the dancing until quite late. D. H. Plaford and Mrs. E. R. Davis led the march. Refreshments were served.

Rev. and Mrs. Dwight A. Ball went to Skowhegan, Wednesday morning, called there by the death of Mrs. Ball's brother, Dr. John E. Wadsworth, whose death was from pneumonia. He was a native of Ilwaco, a graduate of Dartmouth College and Bowdoin Medical School. His age was 42. Dr. Wadsworth was chairman of the State board of registration for nurses, and official physician of the State reformatory, and founded Somerset County Hospital. Dr. Wadsworth married Alice, daughter of John Locke of Fryburg, a resident at one time of this village, and a granddaughter of the late Samuel Barron Locke, 1st, an early settler of West Paris. Two children, Miss Prudence Wadsworth and John E. Wadsworth, Jr., survive.

Levi Sheild has been ill during the past week, but is slowly improving.

Mrs. L. C. Bates is recovering from an attack and malaria. Her trained nurse, has gone home.

Mrs. Hiram Dunham visited her son, G. P. Dunham and family, at South Paris one day last week.

H. W. Welch was given a birthday party last Wednesday. Sixteen guests were present. Refreshments were served, including a pretty birthday cake with candles. Games were enjoyed.

Mrs. A. D. Coburn entertained the Christian Endeavorers at a social Wednesday.

In the game of basketball at Centennial Hall, Friday evening, West Paris High school against Gould's Academy, West Paris High won 18 to 16. West Paris girls' teams, Red Ribbons against Blue Ribbons, 13 to 6 in favor of Red Ribbons team.

Franklin Grange has been invited to visit W. Paris Grange, Saturday, Feb. 10. An all day meeting. First, second, third and fourth degrees to be conferred on a class of candidates.

Rev. James A. White, general secretary of the Baptist Young Peoples' Society of America, accompanied by one of the young people here in the afternoon of Saturday, Feb. 17. There will be a basket lunch, with coffee served by the local church ladies. Everybody cordially invited to come to hear this notable man, who is spending only two weeks in this State in the interest of the young people's societies. More particulars next week.

The meeting held in the Methodist church, Monday, by the Oxford Methodist ministers' association was very interesting and helpful. It was not generally understood that it was to be public, so was not attended as fully as might have been. The program carried out was as follows:

Rev. A. M. Deaconal Service and Business.

Rev. D. B. Hall, Auburn. After Effects of Campaign on Effective Preachers and the Churches.

Rev. H. L. Nichols, Norway. Paper Literary Study of the Bible.

Rev. H. G. McLaughlin, Berlin, N. H. Book Review.

Rev. C. I. Spear, So. Paris. Night the Maine Conference to Celebrate the Tercentenary of the Reformation.

General Discussion. Mrs. A. R. Williams.

12:30 Dinner was served in Centennial Hall and social hour.

1:30 Devotional service. A Minister's Prayer Life.

Rev. A. R. Williams, Oxford. Easter Messages and Pastoral Plans.

Rev. R. A. Rick, Mechanic Falls. The Main Sunday, Personal Impressions.

Rev. G. L. Pressey, Gorham, N. H. Service of Intercession conducted by District Sept. Hall.

Closing for supper and social hour. 7:30 Chorus music and song service by Ladies' Chorus.

Periphrase. Rev. L. W. Grundy. Prayer. Rev. Sarah A. Robinson.

Formal. Rev. T. G. Chapman, Bethel. Closing music and benediction.

There were in all twenty ministers present.

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The Young People's Whist Club met Thursday evening of last week in the Hook and Ladder Hall. The first prizes were won by Lizzie Baker and Arthur Stevens. Delicious refreshments were served.

Ray Thurston, who was at home recently, sold five head of cattle for \$400 to Wilder Kimball of Rumford Center.

John Wyman, who has been working for William Gregg, is working in the mill at Frye.

Deacon John L. Bailey conducted the services at the Congregational church, Sunday morning. An interesting sermon was read by Mr. Bailey.

Y. A. Thurston spent a few days last week at his home.

Saturday morning the thermometer registered 21 degrees below zero.

Ella, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Learned, was severely burned Thursday afternoon by pulling a pall of boiling water from the table over on to herself.

The young people of the Universalist Society will give a drama, entitled, "Petrol, The Storm Child," in the town hall, Wednesday evening, Feb. 14, followed by supper and dancing. Home made candy for sale.

Mrs. Abbie Wyman has gone to Salem, Mass., to spend the winter with her son and family.

Mrs. Gertrude Newhall came from Portland last week and will spend a few weeks with Mr. Newhall, who is working for C. A. Rand.

Mrs. Gladys Boulter from Rangeley visited her father, Edward Pratt, Thursday and Friday of last week.

Chas. Lodge conferred the rank of Knight on a candidate, Friday evening.

John K. Hewey, manager of the Farm-machinery Club, is spending a few days with his family.

Wayne York, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Will Harris, returned Monday to his home at Wentworth Location.

Nathan Akers, wife and son, from Rumford were guests of his parents, John E. Akers and family, Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

Eben Learned has been suffering with blood poisoning on his hand.

Edward Pratt, Sr., is very much out of health.

Chandler York, who is working in Byron, spent Sunday at his home.

Hern Feb. 2, to the wife of Irving Akers, a son. Mrs. Etta Swent is caring for Mrs. Akers.

Alice Averill has gone to Middle Dam where she has work.

There will be a musical and literary entertainment in the Congregational church, Monday evening, Feb. 19, under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E.

The leading feature is the musical sketch, "The Sandman." The cast of characters are:

Mammy Chloe, Effie Akers. Naughty Boy, William French. Good Girl, Laura Newton. Sleepy Eye, Alta Brooks. Red Riding Hood, Treasa Milton. The Wolf, Roger Miller. Cinderella, Margaret Akers. The Witch, Faye Dresser. The Prince, Roger Milton.

There are many other interesting features besides this. Admission: Adults 20 cents, children under 15, 10 cents. It is hoped that all who are interested in the young people of the town will be present.

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out, including Rev. E. A. Robinson of the Baptist and Rev. D. A. Hall of the Universalist, who were invited guests and the local pastor.

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